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TAGS: OVIP (VANCE, CYRUS)

SUBJECT: SECRETARY'S TRIP TO THE MIDDLE EAST

1. SECRETARY IS PLANNING RETURN VISIT TO MIDDLE EAST
SHORTLY AFTER JULY 19-20 BEGIN VISIT TO WASHINGTON FOR
PURPOSES OF CONTINUED DISCUSSIONS ON MIDDLE EAST NEGOTIA-
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TIONS. WE ARE DEVELOPING ITINERARY WHICH WOULD INCLUDE
ISRAEL, EGYPT, LEBANON, SYRIA, JORDAN AND SAUDI ARABIA,
WITH ORDER OF STOPS NOT YET DETERMINED. WE WOULD ENVISAGE
VISIT TO BEIRUT BEING ALONG LINES OF FEBRUARY TRIP
WITH BRIEF EARLY AFTERNOON STOPOVER OF FOUR TO FIVE HOURS,
BUT WITH MORE TIME IN OTHER CAPITALS THAN WAS POSSIBLE IN
FEBRUARY.

2. FINAL DECISION ON DEPARTURE FROM U.S. WILL BE MADE FOLLOWING BEGIN VISIT BUT GENERAL TIMEFRAME BEING CONSIDERED IS LATE JULY/EARLY AUGUST THROUGH FIRST TEN DAYS OF AUGUST.

3. PLEASE APPROACH HOST GOVERNMENTS AND INFORM THEM THAT SECRETARY IS PLANNING TO VISIT MIDDLE EAST DURING THIS GENERAL TIMEFRAME PROVIDING THIS IS CONVENIENT. WE WOULD APPRECIATE KNOWING IF ANY DAYS DURING THIS PERIOD WOULD NOT RPT NOT BE POSSIBLE FOR HOST GOVERNMENTS SO WE CAN STRUCTURE TRIP ACCORDINGLY.

4. FOR CAIRO AND JIDDA: WE ASSUME SAUDI LEADERS WILL BE IN TAIF DURING THIS PERIOD. IS IT LIKELY THAT EGYPTIAN LEADERS WILL BE IN ALEXANDRIA?
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